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NURSING NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



NATIONAL

THE SUPERINTENDENTS' SOCIETY

THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF SUPERINTENDENTS OF TRAINING SCHOOLS FOR NURSES will be held in New York the third week in May, beginning on Monday the 16th. The sessions on Monday and that on Tuesday morning will be held in the Academy of Medicine in Forty-third Street, familiar to members of the society as the place where many former meetings have been held.

The programme is not yet completed in detail, but papers are announced on the following subjects: "The Duties of the Ward Supervisors," "The Graduate Nurses Versus the Undergraduate Head Nurse," "Nursing in Contagious Diseases," "Student Government in Training Schools for Nurses." New papers are being arranged for, and there will be a discussion on the matter of forming local societies of training-school superintendents. The reports of the various committees appointed last year will be presented.

The session on Tuesday afternoon, the 17th, will be held in one of the halls at Teachers' College, and will be devoted entirely to occupations for invalids. Papers are promised from Dr. Hale of Marblehead, Miss Tracy of Jamaica Plain, Miss Lathrop of Chicago, and others on this important subject. An exhibit of occupations and of work done by patients will be placed in the Educational Museum of the college.

On the afternoon of Wednesday, the 18th, the two societies will unite in the exercises which are being arranged to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the first training school for nurses by Florence Nightingale at St. Thomas Hospital, London. The commemoration exercises will also be held in one of the halls of the college, and the two committees of arrangements, that of the Superintendents' Society and of the Associated Alumnae, are making every effort to ensure a fitting celebration of so important an event in history. An exhibit is being arranged which will show portraits and bust of Miss Nightingale, her complete writings, and some autograph letters. A very interesting programme is being prepared and it will be given with further details in the next issue of the JOURNAL.

The Committee of Arrangements consists of Miss Annie W. Goodrich, Bellevue and Allied Hospitals, chairman; Mrs. C. E. Bath, superintendent of nurses, St. Luke's Hospital; Miss G. Henderson, superintendent of nurses, the New York Hospital; Miss Martha M. Russell, superintendent, the Sloane Maternity; Miss Nancy C. Cadmus, superintendent, the Manhattan Maternity; Miss Mary A. Samuel, superintendent of nurses, Roosevelt Hospital; Miss Anne Van Kirk, superintendent of nurses, Mt. Sinai Hospital.

A PROPOSED EXHIBIT OF OCCUPATIONS FOR INVALIDS

AT THE TIME OF THE ANNUAL MEETING of the American Society of Superintendents of Training Schools to be held in New York City next May, it is pro-

posed to hold an exhibit illustrating some of the methods devised by Miss Susan Tracy to provide occupation for invalids. Dr. Hall, of Marblehead, Mass., has kindly promised a contribution of the same nature in suggestions for the insane. It is also hoped that a small exhibit may be arranged in commemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of the first training school founded at St. Thomas Hospital, London, England, by Miss Florence Nightingale; and also of such reports, sketches, portraits, literature, etc., in connection with the earlier schools in this country, as may be of historical and educational interest.

Will any one who may have in her possession any such material or who can give suggestions or information in regard to such, kindly communicate with the chairman of the exhibit committee.

MARY A. SAMUEL,
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THIRTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE NURSES' ASSOCIATED ALUMNÆ OF THE UNITED STATES

THE THIRTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING of the Nurses' Associated Alumnae of the United States will be held in New York, N. Y., May 18, 19, and 20, 1910. The morning session of the 18th will be at the Park Avenue Hotel, the afternoon will be a federated meeting of the Society of Superintendents of Training Schools for Nurses and the Associated Alumnae of the United States, at one of the halls of Teachers' College.

The meetings of the 19th and 20th will be held in Mendelssohn Hall, 113 West 40th Street, New York City.

Registration

Associations sending more than one delegate each year are requested to return at least *one* former delegate, thus insuring greater familiarity with the business and topics under discussion.

On Wednesday morning, May 18, the secretary and treasurer will be at the Park Avenue Hotel to receive dues and register delegates, permanent members, and visitors.

Dues

The annual dues for state, county and city associations are five dollars each. The annual dues for alumnae associations are ten cents per capita.

Delegates should carry with them checks or New York drafts for the amount of their associations' dues, made payable to Anna Davids, treasurer. No association which is in arrears for dues is entitled to register a delegate.

Associations that are *not* sending any delegates this year should pay their dues by mail, addressing them to Miss Anna Davids, 128 Pacific Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Delegates' Cards

A delegate's card will be sent each association. *This card is the credential for your delegate, and no other kind of credential will be accepted.*

This card should be carefully filled out, signed with *your secretary's name and address*, presented to the treasurer when dues are paid, and *left with the secretary* when registering.

Each *alumnæ* association holding a membership in the Nurses' Associated *Alumnæ* has the privilege of sending one delegate for every fifty of its members, and one delegate for every additional fraction of more than half that number.

Each state, county and city association affiliated is entitled to *one* delegate *only*.

Proxies

A delegate who is a member of both a state and *alumnæ* association may act as delegate for both and cast the vote for both, but no *alumnæ* may send a proxy vote by a delegate of another *alumnæ* association.

SPECIAL NOTE: Please ask your delegate to go prepared to discuss the plans for reorganization, and also instruct her which plan your association favors.

If your association has not already pledged its willingness to contribute to the Purchase Fund for the *AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING* will you instruct her what amount you are willing to contribute.

It is doubtful if reduced rates can be secured over railroads, but delegates and others are advised to make inquiry at local offices for interchangeable mileage and rates for parties of ten or more, as there is some reduction. Further information will be published as soon as it is secured.

Hotel Accommodations

The Park Avenue Hotel, 32d and 33d Streets, New York, has been selected as headquarters for the Associated *Alumnæ*.

Rates, European plan: single room \$1.50 and upwards; double room \$2.50 and upwards; single room with bath \$3.50; double room with bath \$4.00; room for four, two bedrooms and parlor, \$10.00; for two connecting rooms with bath \$8.00; public bathrooms free.

Hotel Martha Washington, 29 East 29th Street. European plan. Rates: single room \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$3.00; double room, for each person, \$1.00 and \$1.50; suite of two rooms and bath for two persons, \$5.00; \$1.00 extra for each person; bathrooms free.

Hotel St. Denis, Broadway and 9th Street, European plan. Rates: single room \$1.50; double room \$2.00 to \$2.50; rooms with bath \$3.50 to \$4.00; free use of bathrooms.

Martinique, European plan. Rates: single room \$1.50; single room with bath \$2.50; suite for four—two bedrooms, bathroom and parlor, \$10.00.

SUGGESTIONS TO DELEGATES COMING FROM THE WEST

The route suggested is over the Southern Pacific to Ogden, Utah, then Union Pacific to Council Bluffs, and from there the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul to Chicago. The Pennsylvania road from Chicago to New York.

Round trip ticket good for 90 days can be bought over this route on the following dates: May 11, 12, 13, 14, 25, 26, and 27, for \$108.50, and a choice of roads given to return by.

For further information write the following agents: C. H. Miles, 22 Powell Street, San Francisco, Cal.; E. K. Garrison, 130 West 6th Street, Los Angeles, Cal.; C. S. Williams, 106 West 2d Street, Salt Lake City, Utah; S. C. Rhodes, 821 17th Street, Denver, Colo.

The suggestions for Minnesota, Illinois, Indiana, and the South will be given later.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE COMMITTEE OF REORGANIZATION

To the members and affiliated associations of the Nurses' Associated Alumnae of the United States: According to instructions given at the last annual meeting, a committee has been appointed which will present to you proposed plans for reorganization, and requests that in the meantime the following suggestions be considered:

1. Shall we change the name of the association? The following names have been suggested: American Nurses' Association; National Nurses' Association; National Association of Graduate Nurses of the United States; National Association of Nurses of the United States.

2. Meetings: Shall we meet annually or every two years?

3. Organization and membership: Shall it be individual or federate? Federated as at present, consisting of alumnae, state, county and city organizations, with a growing list of permanent or individual members paying dues; or individuals paying dues of \$3.00 a year through their state societies, or directly to the national association?

4. Officers: That in addition to Board of Directors, there be a Council composed of presidents of affiliated state societies.

5. Nominations for office: That names to be placed on the official ticket of nominations shall have at least ten endorsements before being considered by the nominating committee.

6. Shall all business meetings be open to delegates only, or shall they be open as at present to all members, with a right to discuss, but not vote?

7. That the annual dues for any society be not less than \$5.00.

8. That state associations remain affiliated having one vote, or on a basis of membership with votes in proportion.

Societies wishing further information are earnestly requested to correspond with the committee.

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OUTLINE OF PROGRAMME

Thursday, May 19, 9.30 A.M. Call to order; roll call; report of Executive Committee; report of treasurer; report of standing committees, (a) arrangements, (b) publication, (c) eligibility, (d) programme, (e) nominating; address of the president; new business.

2 P.M. Unfinished business; symposium on private duty nurse, Katharine DeWitt presiding: (a) special duty nurse in the institution, Georgiana A. Ross, Baltimore, Md.; (b) the private duty nurse in rural homes, Margaret Pepoon, San Diego, Cal.; (c) missionary nursing, two short addresses by some missionary nurse on furlough and by Dr. Samuel M. Zwemer, missionary candidate secretary, Student Volunteer Movement; discussion; report of inter-state secretary.

Friday, May 20, 9.30 A.M. Unfinished business; reports of special committees, (a) public health, (b) district nursing, (c) tubercular nursing, (d) nursing

of the insane, (e) pension fund, (f) almshouse nursing, (g) revision of constitution and by-laws.

2 P.M. Paper: "Care of the Insane," by Dr. W. Mabon; discussion. Paper: "Ethics," by Miss Helen Scott Hay; discussion. Question box; report of election; adjournment.

The entertainment for the delegates will include a harbor trip for the 21st, ending with tea at the new residence at Bellevue, and it is hoped that all will be able to remain for this interesting feature.

JOURNAL STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING

AT THE ANNUAL MEETING of the stockholders of the AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING Co., held at 14 East 42d Street, New York City, on January 20, 1910, directors for the year were chosen as follows: Sarah E. Sly, Michigan; Mary M. Riddle, Massachusetts; Isabel McIsaac, Michigan; Genevieve Cooke, California; Mary Adelaide Nutting, New York. At the meeting of the directors, held at Teachers' College, on January 21, Miss McIsaac was elected president, and Miss Cooke, secretary. No changes in the business or editorial management are contemplated for the year. GENEVIEVE COOKE, secretary.

ASSOCIATED ALUMNÆ NOTICES

AN OBLIGATION OVERDUE

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE FUND for the purchase of the AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING have been received by the treasurer of the Associated Alumnæ to the amount of \$1719.50, which with stock promised or in hand, leaves a balance of about \$4000 yet to be raised to purchase the outstanding shares of stock before our national organization actually owns the publication which is its official organ.

To the private duty nurse we wish especially to appeal at this time, and may we count on each individual member of this large group of valued workers to give, not the mite which she was asked to contribute, but a sum which will show what the JOURNAL means to her? This extra endeavor may mean personal sacrifice, but sacrifice for a worthy cause shows personal interest in that cause, and it is real personal interest in the possession and maintenance of our AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING that we long to see expressed by the thousands of private duty nurses.

The year 1910 marks the fiftieth anniversary of the establishment of the first nurse training school by Miss Nightingale at St. Thomas Hospital in London. During these fifty years thousands of training schools have come into existence throughout the world, and many thousand women have received instruction and education in the care of sick and injured human beings. The great majority of these women are in the private duty field.

Many women in the nursing profession have contributed from their store of knowledge and experience to better the education in nursing; they have written text-books that their knowledge gained through years of close application to duty in the great hospital wards may be imparted to the student nurses who go out to reinforce those in private duty.

The number of private duty nurses is not small, and by the nature of their occupation they are more or less cut off from our nursing associations which

create and stimulate interest in nursing progress. Their only means, oftentimes, of keeping in touch with the work of others is through a good nursing periodical. The greatest achievement of nurses in our country has been the establishment of our AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING and maintaining it on a substantial educational basis during the ten years of its growth and development. This, its tenth year, we wish to celebrate fittingly by completing the ownership of the JOURNAL by the Associated Alumnae. This Jubilee, which is to be celebrated, should be marked by the purchase of the outstanding shares of JOURNAL stock, thus expressing our appreciation of the efforts of the founders and the great educational value we recognize in possessing our own JOURNAL.

Let us bend to this work with a will. Send in the money orders and checks with the least possible delay, made payable to the Nurses' Associated Alumnae of the United States, and addressed to the treasurer, or to any other member of the JOURNAL Purchase Fund Committee: Genevieve Cooke, 615 Palisade Avenue, Yonkers, N. Y.; Annie Damer, Yorktown Heights, N. Y.; Sarah H. Cabaniss, 109 North 7th Street, Richmond, Va.; Minnie H. Ahrens, Provident Hospital, Chicago, Ill.; Isabel Hampton Robb, The Haddam, Cleveland, O.; Anna Davids, treasurer, 128 Pacific Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

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ANNA DAVIDS, R.N., Treasurer,

Member of JOURNAL Purchase Fund Committee, 128 Pacific Street,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

CHANGES IN THE ARMY NURSE CORPS SINCE JANUARY 1, 1910

APPOINTMENTS: Katharine W. Cassin, graduate of the Hospital of the Protestant Episcopal Church, Philadelphia, 1906; Estella M. De Turk, of the Pottsville Hospital Training School, Pottsville, Pa., 1908; Mary E. Hunt, of St. Joseph's Hospital, Providence, R. I., 1903; E. Marie McGinty, Bryn Mawr Hospital, Bryn Mawr, Pa., 1909, and Elsie Neff, of the Princeton Sanitarium, Princeton, Indiana, 1909, and ten months in the Deaconess Hospital, Evansville, Indiana. All of the above named nurses have been assigned to duty at the Army General Hospital, San Francisco, California.

DISCHARGES: Anna C. Carpenter, Annie A. Daly, Mary C. Jorgensen, and Edith May Shaw, from the Army General Hospital, Presidio of San Francisco, California. Rosa May Kerr from Ft. Bayard, New Mexico, and Mary Zimerle from the Division Hospital, Manila, P. I.

TRANSFERS: The following named nurses have been transferred from Ft. Bayard to Army General Hospital, San Francisco: Louise C. Boldt, Elizabeth Kurzdorfer, and Margaret T. Wahls. From San Francisco to Ft. Bayard: Emma Haefner, Alma C. Hanson, Agnes F. James, and Josephine Riedy. From San Francisco to Philippines Division on January 5th Transport: Orpha A. Hopper and Mary V. McVan. Gertrude H. Lustig relieved from temporary duty at Camp Jossman and assigned to duty at the Division Hospital, Manila, P.I. Carrie Bechtle relieved from duty as chief nurse at Zamboanga and assigned to the Division Hospital, Manila. Frances Nowinskey has been temporarily assigned as acting chief nurse at the Military Hospital, Zamboanga, P. I.

JANE A. DELANO,
Superintendent, Army Nurse Corps.

MASSACHUSETTS

THE MASSACHUSETTS STATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION held its mid-winter meeting on January 26, in Sewall Hall, New Century Building, Boston, a goodly number of nurses being in attendance. Mrs. Caroline Dennett gave an able and interesting talk on equal suffrage. She said it took fifty-five years to get the equal guardianship law in the state. Mr. Charles Bancroft read a copy of the bill which is to come before the legislature this winter. There was some discussion, but it seemed to meet the approval of the members present. The association was fortunate in having Miss Jane A. Delano attend the meeting. She told of the excellent plan devised by the Central Red Cross Committee for enrolling a large number of nurses who would be available in time of need by either the Red Cross or the army. Refreshments and a social hour completed a most helpful meeting.

CONNECTICUT

THE GRADUATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION OF CONNECTICUT held its regular quarterly meeting at the Second Congregational Church, Waterbury, on February 2. Miss Wilkinson called the meeting to order at 2.15 P.M. Miss A. H. MacCormac was appointed secretary pro tem. Miss MacCormac presented the report of the membership committee. Forty-five notices were sent out on December 1 to those whose dues were two years in arrears. The results to date were \$17 and two resignations. Five applications for membership are now in the hands of the committee, making twenty-five during the year. It was voted that each member attending the dinner to be given at the annual meeting be assessed one dollar toward expenses. Miss Wilkinson was appointed delegate to the Associated Alumnae convention. Following the business meeting there was a programme of music and readings by Mrs. Buchanan and Mrs. Spencer, together with dainty refreshments, provided by the Waterbury nurses. Visiting members were taken to the new St. Mary's Hospital and the Waterbury Hospital. The annual meeting is to be held in Hartford on May 4.

New Haven.—THE CONNECTICUT TRAINING SCHOOL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION had thirteen members present at its regular monthly meeting held at the nurses' dormitory, February 3. Three new members were admitted, two to active and one to passive membership, one was transferred to passive from active. In the absence of the treasurer, the secretary received the annual dues. The next meeting will be held on March 3 at which time the officers will entertain. A large attendance is earnestly desired as business of importance is to come up.

NEW YORK

THE NEW YORK STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT issues the following official statement: To nurse training schools. The following is the rule now in force concerning examinations for certificate of registered nurse:

"Candidates failing in not more than two topics, but having a general average of 75 per cent., are to receive a certificate.

"Candidates failing in not more than three topics may take a subsequent examination in the three topics and on passing two of the three will receive a certificate, provided in the third subject they have not received less than 50 per cent. Candidates failing in two of the three topics must take the three over."

New York.—THE MT. SINAI ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION at its annual meeting elected the following officers: president, Laura R. Logan, R.N.; vice-president, Frida Hartman, R.N.; treasurer, Susie Schilliday, R.N.; assistant treasurer, J. Greenthal, R.N.; recording secretary, Edith Chapman, R.N.; corresponding secretary, Elona N. Underwood, R.N., 351 West 119th Street, New York; assistant corresponding secretary, Bertha Kruer, R.N.; directors, S. W. Newman, R.N., Rose L. Johnson, R.N., Anna M. Thompson, R. N.

THE ALUMNÆ OF ST. LUKE'S TRAINING SCHOOL gave a reception to the graduating class in the nurses' home on the evening of February 2, at which an interesting address was given by Dr. S. Josephine Baker, head of the Department of Child Hygiene, on the subject "Preventive Medicine from the Nursing Standpoint." The address, as reported by Mrs. Mary Breckenridge Morrison, a member of the graduating class, contained these thoughts:

Dr. Baker spoke particularly to the nurses of the class of 1910 and reminded them that on leaving their hospital they would enter upon new fields and that the choice of their future occupations would rest with them. Usually a graduate follows either the medical or surgical branch of her profession; but other lines of work have developed under modern conditions and in the light of new ideals, and to these she called attention.

Preventive medicine is replacing the old system of only applying scientific treatment to the relief of those already ill, and doctors and nurses are turning their best energies in this new direction, where their own interests will finally be submerged in the common good. From a nurse's standpoint there is no field more promising than this one, for it offers both personal advancement and a share in a forward movement of tremendous import. From the same standpoint the work in New York City can be classified under four heads: (1) social service; (2) antituberculosis; (3) reduction of infant mortality; (4) school work.

Although the effort to reduce infant mortality has been organized less than a year, the results are gratifying. While last summer was fully as hot as the preceding one and the birth-rate had increased, there was a decrease of 787 in the number of deaths of infants. In this nurses can take a special pride, for the bulk of the work is done by them through personal contact with the mothers in the tenements of congested districts.

The school work was organized seven years ago, with the co-operation of Miss Wald, of the Henry Street Settlement. There had been medical inspection before that period, and children with minor, noncontagious defects were sent from school to be treated. Only about 6 per cent. returned. Now the nurses follow up these cases in their homes and about 90 per cent. are treated and return.

Among other things, the children in the public schools are being taught the care of their teeth and a few years should show a needed improvement in this direction.

Over three hundred nurses are engaged in the branches of work just outlined and there is a constant demand for more, Dr. Baker assures us, not only in New York City, but in other parts of the country where the values of hygiene are beginning to be realized. The salaries are not large, for the work was tentative at the outset, but it rests with the nurses to make this part of their profession reach the financial status it deserves.

In concluding, Dr. Baker told the nurses she addressed that in duties such as she described they could realize their civic opportunities and take a noble part in progressive movements for the public welfare.

THE MANHATTAN MATERNITY AND DISPENSARY issues its fifth annual report, telling of the immense amount of work done, 4442 patients having been cared for by the institution, which gives care to women in confinement both in the hospital and in their homes. The nursing course is three months long and is either for post-graduate or affiliation work. Miss Cadmus has recently become the superintendent, following Miss Mewhort, who was married.

MISS WALD and MISS WATERS, of the Nurses' Settlement, have started on a visit to Japan, and, perhaps, to China. Though they are going for a rest they expect to meet nurses as well as many other interesting people. Miss Hitchcock will be acting head worker in Miss Wald's absence.

A WONDERFULLY INTERESTING COURSE OF LECTURES ON PREVENTION OF DISEASE will be in Hosack Hall, Academy of Medicine, every Thursday afternoon at 3.30, under the joint auspices of the Public Health Education Committee of the County Medical Society and the Hygiene Committee of the New York City Federation of Women's Clubs. The public is invited. The subjects for discussion in March are "Causes and Prevention of Nervous Exhaustion," speakers: Doctors Grace Peckham Murray, Evelyn Garrique, Edward D. Fisher, and Smith Ely Jelliffe; "The Importance of the Early Diagnosis of Cancer," speakers: Doctors James Ewing, Gertrude B. Kelly, and George Montgomery Tuttle; "The Hygienic Care and Management of Nervous Children," speakers: Doctors William B. Pritchard, Isabella T. Smart, Mary S. Macy, and Edward W. Scripture; "Cause and Prevention of Common Colds," speakers: Doctors Abraham Jacobi, Alexander Lambert, Mary MacMillan, Emily Lewi, and William K. Simpson; "The Relation of Exercise and Rest to Public Health," speakers: Doctors Luther M. Gulick, Eliza M. Mosher, and Henry L. Taylor; "Social Diseases and Their Dangers," speakers: S. Duncan Bulkley, Emma E. Walker, and James J. Walsh. This last lecture, to be given on April 7, will conclude the course.

THE HARVEY COURSE LECTURES given on Saturday evenings at 8.30 in the Academy of Medicine during March are: "The Present Status of Aphasia and its Relation to Psychopathology," by Professor Adolph Meyer of Johns Hopkins University; "Pathology and Therapy in Diseases of Metabolism," by Professor A. Magnus-Levy, University of Berlin. In April, Professor Jules Bordet of the Pasteur Institute of Brussels is expected to give a lecture.

THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF SANITARY AND MORAL PROPHYLAXIS held on the evening of February 10, in the Academy of Medicine, a joint meeting with the New York Biologists' Association. The subject for discussion was "Botany and Zoology as a Means of Teaching Sex Hygiene." The leading paper was presented

by Ellen Torelle, A.M., of Minneapolis, and outlined a plan for presenting the subject to elementary, high school, and college students, with botany and zoology as foundation subjects, the type forms, in regular sequence, being illustrated by lantern slides. The paper was discussed by teachers of biology, many of whom seemed strangely loth to take up the subject of sex hygiene with their pupils. A resolution recommending that the society approach the Board of Education upon the matter of a series of public lectures on sex hygiene was adopted. This society, which has for its object the limiting of the spread of diseases which have their origin in the social evil, holds its deliberations on alternate months in the Academy of Medicine. The next meeting will be in April. Those interested are always welcome.

A SERIES OF PRACTICAL LECTURES ON HOSPITAL ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION is being given at Teachers' College, School of Household Arts, on Fridays at 4 P.M. These lectures are part of the regular course for the students in Hospital Economics, and for this year only are open to others engaged in hospital and training-school work. During February the subjects and lecturers were: "The Hospital," "The Trustees," "Record Keeping and Accounts," all by Dr. C. Irving Fisher, superintendent Presbyterian Hospital. Those to follow are: March 4. "Record Keeping and Accounts," Dr. Fisher. March 11. "Medical Organization of Hospitals," Dr. S. S. Goldwater, superintendent Mt. Sinai Hospital. March 18. "Relation of the Training School and Medical School to the Hospital," Dr. W. H. Smith, general medical superintendent Bellevue and Allied Hospitals. March 25. "Administration Office," Dr. Smith. April 1. "Organization and Management of Purchasing and Steward's Department," Dr. Thomas Howell, superintendent New York Hospital. April 8. "Organization and Management of Boiler House; Heating and Power Plant; Clothes Room and Disinfection; Mechanical and Repair Departments," Dr. Smith. April 15. "Operating Rooms and X-ray Department," Dr. C. Y. Young, assistant superintendent Presbyterian Hospital. April 22. "Dispensary," Dr. Young. April 29. "Ambulance Service—Admitting Department; Pathological Department; Observation Wards; Hydrotherapeutic Department; Open Air Wards," Dr. Smith. May 6. "Wards—Free and Private; Social Service," Dr. Smith. May 13. "Hospital Funds—Budget Appropriations and Expenditures; Résumé," Dr. Smith.

Brooklyn.—THE KINGS COUNTY HOSPITAL ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION OF NURSES held its annual meeting on January 4 at the nurses' home, when the following officers were elected: president, Sue Crouch; first vice-president, Miss Burrows; secretary, Mary O'Donnell, Kings County Hospital; treasurer, A. Collimore. Miss Burrows was appointed a delegate to the AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING meeting and was instructed to act in the interest of the JOURNAL regarding the share of stock which the alumnae association owns.

THE BROOKLYN HOMŒOPATHIC HOSPITAL ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION has selected as officers for the year the following: president, Emma L. Park; vice-president, Stella M. Healy; secretary, Mary H. Combs, 126 Greene Avenue; treasurer, Bertha Cooper.

THE BROOKLYN HOSPITAL TRAINING SCHOOL ALUMNÆ held its annual meeting at the training school February 1, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: president, M. L. Sweeny, R.N. (re-elected); vice-presidents, J. S. Buchanan, R.N., Mrs. H. F. McChesney; recording secretary, F. Dennie,

R.N.; corresponding secretary, Elizabeth Percy, R.N.; treasurer, M. E. Holt, R.N. (re-elected); director, Mrs. Edmond Kelly, R.N. (re-elected).

White Plains.—THE NEW NURSES' HOME in connection with the White Plains Hospital was opened for inspection on February 8.

Yonkers.—THE COCHRAN TRAINING SCHOOL ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION at its annual meeting held in September elected the following officers: president, M. Frances Lee, R.N.; vice-presidents, Caroline M. Jones, R.N., Celia B. Snyder, R.N.; secretary, Harriet F. Barrett, R.N., 178 Palisade Avenue; treasurer, Alice Dobbs, R.N.

Utica.—CHARLOTTE M. PERRY, superintendent of Faxton Hospital, has tendered her resignation to take effect in March.

NEW JERSEY

Orange.—THE ORANGE TRAINING SCHOOL ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION held its January meeting at the home of Margaret M. Anderson on the 19th. The business meeting was followed by a social hour, with refreshments.

Paterson.—THE PATERSON GENERAL HOSPITAL ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION held an interesting meeting in the hospital on February 1. After the usual business was transacted, Miss McIllery read a paper on her work as district nurse in this city, and Miss Demarest gave one on the extent of the work in England, Canada, and the United States. Three new members were accepted. Light refreshments were served.

PENNSYLVANIA

THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR REGISTRATION OF NURSES during its recent meetings granted registration to 274 additional applicants, making a total of 770 since its organization July 22, 1909.

The replies to the tentative curriculum sent to the training schools is most gratifying, and will enable the board to complete the same in time for adoption by June 1, 1910,—thus complying with the act which establishes examination June 1, 1912.

The board desires to acquaint the public with the fact that the function of this board is to place at their disposal nurses whose training and qualifications are the best. In the future a *registered nurse*, and not a graduate or trained nurse, is guarantee of ability.

Letters of inquiry from boards of other states seeking reciprocity with this board have been received. The hope of the board is to accomplish this reciprocity.

The list of registration follows: Altoona 5, Allentown 3, Bloomsburg 3, Butler 4, Danville 7, Everett 3, Harrisburg 3, Meadville 3, New Castle 13, Pottsville 5, Pittsburgh 27, Philadelphia 101, Washington 5, West Chester 3, Wilkes Barre 4. Other states: New York 5, New Jersey 6, West Virginia 3, Illinois 3, Canal Zone 1, Georgia 1, California 1, Ohio 1, Massachusetts 1, Iowa 1.

ALBERT E. BLACKBURN, M.D.,

Secretary.

THE PRESBYTERIAN HOSPITAL NURSES' ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION has held its regular monthly meetings with good attendance. In October the programme for the winter was made out. At the November meeting, Miss Elliott of this city gave an illustrated talk on "Rome of Yesterday and To-day." In December, Mr. Sally told of the work done at the University Settlement House. In January,

Dr. Draper, pathologist of the Pennsylvania Hospital, gave an address on "Empiricism." In February, Miss Stanley, head school nurse of the city, spoke of the work of nurses in the schools. In March, Dr. Abbey Head, of the Mid-night Mission, will speak on "Moral Prophylaxis." There will also be in March a reception to the coming graduating class.

EMMA C. LINDBERG, for some time assistant superintendent of the Pennsylvania Hospital, has been at home in Bradford since her resignation last July, on account of family illness.

THE ALLEGHENY GENERAL HOSPITAL NURSES' ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION held its January meeting at the nurses' home and heard an instructive talk by Minnie Hepler, one of the members, on "The Care and Training of Infants." At the February meeting, held at the home of Mrs. George McClelland, Miss Holmes, one of the state tuberculosis nurses, gave an interesting talk on her work.

ELIZABETH HOLMES AND ALBERTA SCHWARZ, graduates of the Allegheny General Hospital, have been appointed state tuberculosis nurses, with headquarters, respectively, at Pittsburgh and Pottsville.

NELLIE CHARLESON, graduate of St. Luke's Hospital, Ottawa, has resigned her position as head nurse at the Allegheny General Hospital, and will take a needed rest at her home in Quebec. She is succeeded by Isabel Perkins, a graduate of the hospital.

Lancaster.—KATHARINE H. BANZHOF, R.N., who has had charge of the visiting nurse work in Lancaster since its beginning in January, 1909, has resigned to take up hourly nursing. At a meeting of the board of directors, gratitude was expressed for her faithful and conscientious service, with good wishes for her future welfare. Miss Banzhof was succeeded by Miss M. V. Bucher.

Scranton.—THE STATE HOSPITAL TRAINING SCHOOL ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION held its regular monthly meeting on February 10, with nine members present. Miss Tighe was elected chairman of the Sick Committee, and Miss Herman of the Entertainment Committee. It was decided to hold the annual banquet at the Hotel Jefferson on March 15, that invitations to the banquet be extended to Miss Ebersole, superintendent of nurses, and to the class of 1910. The Committee on Arrangements, Miss Tighe, Mrs. Coppinger; Reception Committee, Misses Saul, Vandervort, Graham, Brice, Quinn, and Herman.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

THE NURSES' EXAMINING BOARD OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA will hold examination of applicants for registration May 4 and 5. Apply to the secretary for particulars.

KATHERINE DOUGLAS, secretary,
320 East Capitol Street.

MEDICAL DIRECTOR CHARLES F. STOKES, at present supervising surgeon of the Naval Medical School Hospital, Washington, was nominated February 4 by the President to be Surgeon-General of the navy, to succeed Rear Admiral Presley M. Rixey, who retired voluntarily, having served in the navy thirty years, eight years as Surgeon-General. Captain Stokes is one of the best known men in his branch of the service. He was appointed assistant surgeon in the navy in 1889. As a surgeon he has become distinguished for his clever and daring operations. He performed the operation on Midshipman Wilson, the naval cadet whose neck was broken at a football game last fall. He devised the first-aid dressings now

used in both branches of the service, and also invented an apparatus for transferring wounded men from one ship to another without the aid of boats.

Washington.—**MRS. PERON JENNINGS**, for many years superintendent of the Children's Hospital, resigned her position February 1.

THE EPISCOPAL EYE, EAR, NOSE AND THROAT HOSPITAL recently received a gift of \$75,000 from the Misses James to be used in building an addition to the present hospital as a memorial to their brother, George James. Plans are being drawn for three new operating rooms, X-ray room, rooms for persons of small means, wards, and a home for the nurses.

MARYLAND

Baltimore.—**THE BOARD OF HEALTH** on January 1 took over the work among the tuberculous poor of the city which has been done for the past five years by the Instructive Visiting Nurse Association. The city is divided into fourteen districts and a nurse assigned to each. The following were appointed: Ellen N. LaMotte, in charge, Rebecca Coale, Julia Reed, Lillian Oelgrath, Margaret Kennedy, K. M. Nash, Anna Murphy, Jane Newman, Ida Libbey, Harriet Clements, Elizabeth Lec, Ella Hilliar, Rosalie Lavelle, Helen Bacon, Grace Brumbaugh.

MARY WHITING, for several years in charge of the Endowment Tuberculosis Sanitarium, has resigned the position.

THE ST. AGNES NURSES' ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION held its January meeting at St. Agnes Hospital and elected the following officers: president, Mary Ryan, R.N.; vice-president, Katharine Smith, R.N.; secretary, Margaret DeLauder, R.N., 920 Aisquith Street; treasurer, Margaret Dudley, R.N. After the admission of several new members and transaction of business, an interesting paper on "The Nursing of Pellagra" was read by Miss Reilly, one of the senior nurses. The members were then entertained by the seniors by music and a progressive euchre party, after which a luncheon was served by the Sisters of Charity in the nurses' parlors.

VIRGINIA

THE GRADUATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION OF VIRGINIA held its tenth annual convention at the Hotel Murphy, Richmond, January 25-27. The programme was as follows: Tuesday, January 25. Executive session. Convention called to order and speakers introduced by Dr. Wm. S. Gordon. Invocation, Rev. Dr. MacLachlan. Address of welcome, Mayor D. C. Richardson. Response by president, Ethel Smith.

Wednesday, January 26. Registration and payment of dues. Business session. President's address. Reading minutes of last meeting. Treasurer's report. Report of Nominating Committee. Paper, "Professional Responsibility," May Douthat, Clifton Forge, Va. Paper, "The Young Nurse in Private Work," Naomi Simmons, Richmond, Va. Afternoon tea, St. Luke's Hospital Alumnae. Evening reception, Virginia Hospital Alumnae.

Thursday, January 27. Paper, "Tuberculosis," Mrs. J. Warren Thompson, Norfolk. Paper, "Nurses and Social Work," Gertrude Phillpotts, Norfolk, Va. Paper, "The Nurse as Missionary," Minnie Bumgardner, Staunton, Va. Question box in charge of Eliza. R. P. Cooke, Bon Air, Va. Election returns. Adjournment. Luncheon, Memorial Hospital Alumnae.

The meetings were very enthusiastic. About fifty new members have been added since last June. Practically the old officers were elected. The next meeting will be held in Richmond.

Richmond.—THE INSTRUCTIVE VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION has, through the interest of the Nurses' Settlement, given a nurse to the public schools of the city.

KENTUCKY

Louisville.—THE NURSES' CENTRAL DIRECTORY in its report for the year ending December 31, gives the following interesting statistics: membership 111, total number of calls 1532, directory calls 1075, personal 223, out of town 241, practical nurses 106, male 20, non-members 25, calls not filled 20, information 600, members resigned 10, members married 5, positions taken 1, left the city 4. Practical Nurses: membership 15, married 1, resigned 2, positions taken 2. The directory is governed by a committee from the Jefferson County Graduate Nurses' Club.

THE JOHN N. NORTON INFIRMARY ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION, at its annual meeting, elected the following officers: president, Annie E. Rece; vice-presidents, Elizabeth S. Robertson, Katherine Dear; secretary, Emma Isaacs, 922 South 6th Street; treasurer, Anna E. Flynn. At the December meeting of the association, after the transaction of business, the senior class of the infirmary entertained the alumnae with a little play, "The Parliament of Servants."

OHIO

Cincinnati.—THE CINCINNATI HOSPITAL TRAINING SCHOOL held its graduating exercises on the evening of January 14 in the assembly room, when a class of seventeen received diplomas and medals as a reward for faithfulness and efficiency. Addresses to the graduates were made by Dr. Fackler, Dr. Bonifield, and Mr. Scott Small, who presented the diplomas. The badges were presented by Dr. Isham. An enjoyable reception followed the exercises.

THE CINCINNATI HOSPITAL ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION held its annual meeting at the nurses' home on January 15, a large number of the members being present. After the usual programme and business, the following officers were elected: president, Carrie Hunter; vice-presidents, Anna Clay Minor, Catherine Martin; treasurer, Nellie P. Isaminger; secretary, Marguerite Fagen, Cincinnati Hospital. During the evening, Miss Fisher, superintendent of the training school, presented the class of 1910 for membership. It is hoped that this will prove the most successful year of the association.

MICHIGAN

Detroit.—THE FARRAND TRAINING SCHOOL ALUMNÆ held an adjourned annual meeting on February 8, at the Swain Home. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: president, Amanda R. Judson; vice-presidents, Lulu B. Durkee, Agnes G. Deans; recording secretary, Gertrude M. Barnes; corresponding secretary, Margaret B. McClure; treasurer, Mary E. Jenks; directors, Melissa Collins, Alice Walker, Grace Gillies.

Following the meeting tea was served, at which time the members took the opportunity to extend a vote of thanks to the retiring president, Miss L. B. Durkee. Miss Durkee has served as president of the association for two years,

and previous to that as secretary. Aside from the splendid work she has done, she has the record of never having been absent from a meeting for over three years.

Miss Judson, the newly elected president, was heartily welcomed and assured of the co-operation of all the members present, for they appreciated Miss Judson's willingness to serve.

ILLINOIS

A SUGGESTIVE OUTLINE OF INSTRUCTION (Continued)

THIRD YEAR. *Obstetrics*.—Thirteen classes, 13 hours; one oral review, 1 hour; one written review, 1 hour.

***Materia Medica* (Condensed).—**Elements, their salts, and other common preparations; preparations from plants; 8 classes, 8 hours; 1 review, 1 hour; 1 written review, 1 hour; 15 classes, 15 hours.

***Chemistry or its Equivalent*.—**Two classes on matter, 2 hours; 1 class on oxygen and air, 2 hours; 1 class on nitrogen and hydrogen, 1½ hours; 2 classes on experiments on water, 4 hours; 1 oral review, 1 hour; 1 written review, 1 hour; 2 classes on experiments on fats, 4 hours; 2 on proteids, 4 hours; 1 on glucoses, 2 hours; 1 on sucroses, 2 hours; 2 on amyloses, 4 hours; 1 oral review, 1 hour; 1 written review, 1 hour; 2 classes on tests on milk, 4 hours; 1 on eggs, 2 hours; 1 on flour and bread, 1 hour; 1 on beef and infant foods, 2 hours; 1 on baking powders, 2 hours; 1 class on gastric juice, 2 hours; 1 class on pancreatic juice, 2 hours; 1 class on bile, 2 hours; 1 oral review, 1 hour; 1 written review, 1 hour; 29 classes, 48½ hours.

***Ethics*.—**Chapters 11 and 12. Two classes, 2 hours.

***Lectures*.—*Materia Medica*.** Diseases of the nervous and insane; tuberculosis, eye, ear, nose, throat.

***Summary*.—**Exclusive of lectures. *Obstetrics*, 15 classes, 15 hours; *materia medica*, 10 classes, 10 hours; *chemistry*, 29 classes, 48½ hours; *ethics*, 2 classes, 2 hours. Total, 56 classes, 75½ hours.

Summary of class work for the three-year course of instruction, exclusive of lectures: First year, 112 classes, 157 hours; second year, 86 classes, 106 hours; third year, 56 classes, 75½ hours; total, 254 classes, 338½ hours.

Chicago.—THE CHICAGO SOCIETY OF SUPERINTENDENTS OF TRAINING SCHOOLS FOR NURSES holds its meetings on the first Saturday of each month in the North Grill Room of Marshall Field's at 3 P.M. Mrs. Emma E. Koch is president; Alice E. Isaacson, secretary and treasurer. The programme for this winter is as follows: October. General discussion on the report of special training-school committee of the American Hospital Association, opened by Amelia Dahlgren. November. Harriet Fulmer, "The Field of the Caretaker, or the Domestic Nurse, and Where She Shall be Trained." December. Helen S. Hay, "Impressions of European Hospital Nurses, and Some of Their Methods." January. Dr. J. B. De Lee, "The Maternity Ward in the General Hospital. How May it be Protected?" February. Mary C. Wheeler, "Meat in the Hospital Dietary, and the Advantages of a Fruitarian and Vegetarian Diet." March. Dr. H. M. Stowe, "The Specially Trained Obstetric Nurse, Her Advantages and Field, from a Doctor's Standpoint." April. Charlotte Aiken, "Why do Most of our Hospitals Show a Deficit at the End of the Year? Can the Nurse Better Conditions?" May. Dr. Anna Ross Lapham, "The Nurse as the Mother's Aid in

Teaching the Child the Problems of Sex." June. Mrs. Minerva Mayfield, "The 'Open' and the 'Closed' Hospital from the Nurse's Standpoint."

ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION held its annual meeting on January 18, thirty-three members being present. Reports of officers and committees were read, and the following were elected: president, Mrs. Cuthbertson; vice-presidents, Mrs. H. D. Peterson, Miss Collins; secretary, Eva A. Mack, St. Luke's Hospital; treasurer, Miss Johnstone; chairmen of committees, visiting, Miss Birdsall; social, Miss Wier; nominating, Miss Hipwell; finance, Miss Dean; membership, Miss Johnstone; general nursing affairs, Miss Eldredge; additional directors, Mrs. McNeil, Mrs. Brenneman, Miss Eastman, Miss Bartle, Mrs. Orr, Miss Dawson, Miss Ada Taylor, Miss W. Osmotherly, Miss Lawrie, Miss Kate Mussen, Miss Lowden, Mrs. Dagg, Mrs. Gregory, Mrs. Reuhl.

MISS BEECHLEY has joined the Visiting Nurse Association of Cleveland. Miss Harpster has taken charge of a hospital in Columbus, Wisconsin. Miss Burleson, who has had charge of the surgery in the main building at St. Luke's for the past two years, has resigned. She is succeeded by Nina Gates.

THE ILLINOIS TRAINING SCHOOL recently purchased the property on the corner of Honore and Congress Streets, including the row of houses facing on Congress Street. The school hopes to be able to build later on, but meantime acquires some much-needed room for the growing family of nurses which will be a great convenience over the annex, the four flats rented on Paulina and Jackson Boulevard. The graduate head nurses of the school were the guests of the officers on the evening of February 11.

MISS HAY spent a week at the University of Illinois, recently, giving a course of lectures on home nursing.

ELEANOR REED, 1907, recently resigned her position as assistant in the Contagion Hospital to assume the duties of superintendent of the Monroe Street Hospital. Laura Welch, 1907, succeeds Miss Reed. Elsie Schlund, 1907, recently accepted the position of assistant night superintendent in Cook County Hospital. Lucy Clark, 1900, resigned her position as head nurse in Ward 22, Louise Hostman being her successor. Miss Kohlsaatt, 1906, has recently taken charge of Ward 8. Miss Voigt, 1901, has accepted the position as medical inspector for the Chicago Telephone Co. Miss Voigt inspects all the young women who apply for positions as telephone operator with the view to seeing that they are in good physical condition before being employed. She states that many young women who apply are defective owing to goitres and various catarrhal troubles. Margaret Kuehl, 1909, has accepted the position of superintendent of nurses in the Multnomah Hospital, Portland, Oregon. Elizabeth Jackson, 1909, is doing private duty in the same city.

JENNETTE ALLISON COMMON, class of 1894, who has been doing private nursing in Kansas City for the past five years, has accepted a position in the Ronquillo Hospital, Cananea, Sonora, Mexico. She finds the climate ideal and the life truly western.

THE COLUMBUS HOSPITAL ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION held its annual meeting on January 10 at the hospital, when the following officers were elected: president, S. Frances Gallagher, R.N.; vice-president, Clara Cunningham, R.N.; secretary, Bessie Monahan; treasurer, Josephine Butler.

THE COLUMBUS HOSPITAL has opened the fourth floor, which was formerly used as nurses' quarters, and will soon build an addition of forty rooms. Anna

Frederickson gave a luncheon to the graduate nurses on the Monday after Christmas.

INDIANA

THE INDIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSE EXAMINERS has changed the date of the spring examination to the first Wednesday and Thursday in May, instead of the third Wednesday and Thursday. This is done on account of the annual meeting of the Associated Alumnae, which will be held in New York the third week in May. All applications for the examination should be in by April 15.

EDNA HUMPHREY, secretary,
Crawfordsville.

MISSOURI

Kansas City.—THE KANSAS CITY GRADUATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION held its annual meeting on February 2, at which the following officers were elected: president, L. Eleanor Kelly; vice-presidents, Charlotte B. Forrester, Cornelia E. Seelye; secretary, Mena Shipley, R.N.; treasurer, Mary Murray; chairmen committees, visiting, Mrs. Catharine Hare, printing and programme, Mrs. M. C. Lewis; members of directory board, Edith Allan, G. M. Spokesfield, Nell Hunter. The association has been admitted to membership in the Associated Alumnae, has established a central directory, and has plans under consideration for establishing a sick benefit fund. One honorary and sixty-five active members have been admitted and six applications are waiting. The attendance throughout the year has been good and the members are taking a keener interest in the work of the association.

NEBRASKA

THE NEBRASKA STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR REGISTRATION met during January, for the consideration of applications for registration. They trust in the near future to send out the certificates.

ANNA E. HARDWICK, R.N. (N. Y.).

THE NEBRASKA STATE ASSOCIATION OF GRADUATE NURSES met on January 11 at the University Temple Building, Lincoln. The morning was devoted to an interesting and wide-awake business session, about thirty-five members being present. At noon, a delightful buffet luncheon was served at the Orthopaedic Hospital by Miss Hardwick, superintendent of nurses, and Miss Bixby. The afternoon was devoted to a musical and literary programme, the general subject of the addresses being the care of the insane. An address on "Classification of Insanity" was given by Dr. L. B. Pilsbury, who has recently returned from a trip to foreign countries, and who reviewed the work being done along industrial and psychological lines in our own and other countries. Dr. Benjamin F. Bailey, in his address on "The Care of the Insane," awakened the interest of all who heard him in the need for trained workers for this vast neglected field of hospital work. Mrs. Gaiser read a paper on "The Physical and Mental Woman," which was much appreciated by nurses who spend too little time in the contemplation of the home side of their natures. A review of the life of Dorothy Dix and of the organization of training schools for nurses in connection with hospitals for the insane was given by the secretary, Miss Stuff. The work done by the School of Civics and Philanthropy of Chicago in a department for institutional workers was discussed. It is under the leadership of Miss Julia Lathrop, for many years a member of the Illinois State Board of Charities, and offers a

course of study for those interested in the care of the mentally defective, which shows the educational value of a graded system of occupation and industrial work and affords practical training in handicrafts and in such games as are found useful in developing the imagination and latent brain force of patients needing re-educating. Games and occupation such as are necessary to give a quieting, calming, or restraining influence on delusional and excited patients are also taught. Those taking the course visit the wards of hospitals for the insane and put in practice the methods taught. Visits are also made to public playgrounds, and lectures are given on the elements of psychology, psychiatry, and on sociological subjects. Wherever these methods have been tried in the care of mental patients, they have met with splendid results, and the school is recognized by the leading psychiatrists. A report was given of Dr. William L. Russel's address on "Hospital Care for the Insane."

At the close of the afternoon, the nurses and their friends banqueted at the Lincoln Hotel where Miss H. J. Fisher, chairman of the Programme Committee, acted as toast mistress. The next meeting will be held on April 19 at the Young Woman's Christian Association Building, Omaha.

LILLIAN B. STUFF, secretary.

Omaha.—THE OMAHA GENERAL HOSPITAL TRAINING SCHOOL held its graduation exercises on January 25. There were fourteen graduates, whose motto was, "We have crossed the bay to enter the ocean."

COLORADO

THE COLORADO STATE TRAINED NURSES' ASSOCIATION held its sixth annual meeting in Denver, February 10 and 11. An interesting and instructive programme was given at the first session, and in the evening a stove clinic was held at the County Hospital, which was greatly appreciated. The meeting on the 11th was devoted to reports, routine business, and elections. Lettie G. Welch, R.N., of Denver, was made president.

OREGON

Portland.—M. ELLEN KERSHAW, a graduate of St. Luke's Training School, Chicago, has accepted a position for a few months with the Visiting Nurse Association in this city, which is under the charge of Miss Grittinger, formerly of Brooklyn. A general free dispensary, the first in the city, has been opened in a settlement in the heart of the business portion of the city and is meeting with great success.

WASHINGTON

Seattle.—THE KING COUNTY GRADUATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION held its regular meeting at the Registry, on February 7, twenty-five members being present. In the absence of the president, the chair was taken by the vice-president, Mrs. M. I. Farrell, who called the meeting to order. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Reports of the Executive Committee and the Registry for month of January were read, and ordered placed on file. Six applications for membership were accepted, one was laid on the table. Mrs. A. W. Hawley read an account of the work of the Girls' Home and Training School Society and reported that the sum of \$80 had, through the effort of Miss Sara Meiklejohn, been

donated by Mrs. Charles L. Denny of Seattle, a former patient. The association had been asked to raise this amount for the furnishing of a room in the home. It was voted that the thanks of the association be tendered Mrs. Denny for her donation and to Miss Meiklejohn for her efforts towards interesting Mrs. Denny in the work. Mrs. Bessie Davis gave a report of the Nurses' Cottage at Riverton and Mrs. Eva C. Murray, treasurer of the Cottage Fund, reported that the amount required had been almost raised. The cottage is completed and ready for occupancy and will be under the management of the state association. The secretary gave a report of the committee appointed by the president for the purpose of discussing the advisability of incorporating and forming a stock company to build an association club-house. A general discussion followed, led by Mrs. Murray, chairman of the committee. A motion to incorporate was carried unanimously. It was voted that the committee appointed by the president, with two nominated from the floor, compose the committee on club-house, and that they take steps for incorporating, immediately. Mrs. Hawley and Miss Loomis were re-elected as members of the committee. The following amendment to Article III, By-laws, was read, and will be voted on at the next regular meeting. Meetings. "Monthly meetings shall be held on the first Monday of each month at 3 P.M., unless a holiday, then on the day following at 3 P.M. Due notice shall be sent each member to the address registered with the secretary, of all meetings, whether regular or special, and of the place of meeting." Mrs. Farrell gave a very interesting and instructive paper on "Obstetrics," a general discussion following. After a vote of thanks to Mrs. Farrell, the meeting adjourned.

BIRTHS

ON January 14, at Bozeman, Montana, a son, Daniel Somers, to Dr. and Mrs. A. D. Brewer. Mrs. Brewer was Florence Somers of the Boston City Hospital.

ON January 27, at Port Arthur, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Elliott. Mrs. Elliott was Miss Fidler, class of 1905, St. Luke's Training School, Chicago.

ON December 1, 1909, at Nagaya, Japan, a son to Rev. and Mrs. W. deL. Kingsbury. Mrs. Kingsbury was Nina Bakenhus, a graduate of the German-American Hospital, Chicago.

MARRIAGES

SADIE RHINE, a graduate of Columbus Hospital, Chicago, to Mr. Furlong. Mr. and Mrs. Furlong will live at Ft. Jones.

ON December 29, Mina Born, class of 1903, Illinois Training School, to Isaac V. Landman. Mr. and Mrs. Landman will live at 501 North Vermilion Street, Danville, Ill.

ON December 27, 1909, at Holy Cross Church, Brooklyn, Katherine V. Leonard, class of 1905, Kings County Hospital, to John A. Kane, M.D. Dr. and Mrs. Kane will live in Brooklyn.

ON December 30, 1909, at Swissdale, Pa., Jennie Stewart Brown, class of 1908, Allegheny General Hospital, to Charles W. Miller, M.D. Dr. and Mrs. Miller will live in Peoria, Ill.

ON January 12, at St. Philip's Church, Durham, North Carolina, Lily Haughton Cowan, graduate of Watts Hospital, to Dillard Crittenton Mitchell. Mrs. Mitchell was treasurer of the North Carolina State Association for 1908.

DEATHS

At the Hahnemann Hospital, Rochester, N. Y., Elizabeth Young, class of 1905, of the hospital. Her life was one of sweet usefulness.

On February 4, at Salem, Mass., Mary E. Hodgkins, class of 1905, Salem Hospital. Miss Hodgkins was a member of the *alumnæ* and was dear to her sister nurses.

FURTHER particulars have been received regarding the death of Miss Tillotson, which was announced in the February JOURNAL. Miss Tillotson was a graduate of the Faxton Hospital, Utica, and was the founder and principal of the Niles Private Hospital, at Niles, Michigan. She died at Faxton Hospital, after an operation. She had been in ill health for months, and at the last was a great sufferer, but was brave and bright, and kept at her post looking after her many patients, to whom she gave her whole time and her life.
